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SUBJ: BARUNDI REFUGEE ACTIVITY

ISTANBUL AND IZMIR FOR AMBASSADOR YOST

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY UNHCR REP STANELY WRIGHT THAT APPROXIMATELY 1800 LOCAL MAY 12 VIRTUALLY ALL ADULT MALES AT BARUNDI REFUGEE CAMP LILIMA (SOUTHERN RWANDA) DEPARTED CAMP. FROM WREIGHT AND OTHER SOURCES IT LEARNED THAT BARUNDI REFUGEES RECEIVED MESSAGE TELLING THEM TO PREPARE FOR ATTACK ON BURUNDI. EMBASSY KNOWS OF BARUNDI HUTUS IN KIGALI WHO RECEIVED SIMILAR
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" MOBILIZATION" MESSAGE. EMBASSY ESTIMATES THAT OVER 1000 REFUGEES MAY BE INVOLVED.

2. ACCORDING TO WRIGHT, TWO GOR MINISTERS ATTEMPTED UNSUCCESSFULLY PERSUADE REFUGEES NOT REPEAT NOT TO LEAVE CAMP. IN ADDITION RWANDAN SECURITY FORCES ALSO TRIED TO PREVENT DEPARTURE FROM CAMP, BUT HAD INSUFFICIENT RESOURCES ON SPOT TO DO SO. MINISTER NATIONAL GUARD WAS CALLED FROM MIDDLE OF MASS IN KIGALI AROUND 1830 MAY 12, DOUBTLESS IN THIS SAME CONNECTION.

3. WELL PLACED REFUGEE SOURCE SAYS THAT SOME BARUNDI WHO LEFT KIGALI MAY 12 FOR RENDEZVOUS AT BUTARE ARE ALREADY BACK IN TOWN HAVING FAILED TO FIND THERE THE WEAPONS OR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS THEY HAD BEEN PROMISED.

4. EMBASSY ATTEMPTING OBTAIN FURTHER DETAILS.
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